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Marginal Column

By ZEV LAQUEUR

ONE hasn't heard much of late about the political activities of the Arab League whose tenth birthday we forgot to celebrate a few days ago. But Mr. Abdel Khalek Hassouna, Secretary General of the League, is still there and so are his collaborators, though their main activities have now shifted to the cultural field. Some time ago, the Arab League secretariat sent the member countries excerpts containing the relevant parts about Jews and Israel from Toyabee's "Study of History." Last week, in a note to the Ministries of Foreign Affairs of the member states, it drew attention to the fact that many films shown in cinemas in the Arab East embody propaganda against the Arabs. Three of such films have reached Egypt this month, it said: they are "Saadia," "Ali Baba and the 40 Thieves" and "Meet the Devil." The first two are French and the third American. The note goes on: "All these films depict the Arabs as savages, highwaymen and wastrels who are interested only in food and spend most of their time in the harem. The object of such films is to discredit the Arabs and distort their history. Such films constitute systematic propaganda against the Arabs at a time when they are fighting Zionism in Palestine and French imperialism in North Africa. Zionist-Imperialist propaganda against the Arabs has taken a most serious turn in that it is now propagated inside the Arab countries by means of such films most of which are produced by Zionist companies."

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NOTHING is known to this writer about "Saadia." "Meet the Devil" refers apparently to "Beat the Devil" (with Humphrey Bogart, Jennifer Jones, Gina Lollobrigida, Peter Lorre and other well-known Zionist leaders) which can be inspected at the "Miami" Cairo, and which we recommend. (The place is air-conditioned.) "Ali Baba," on the other hand, can be seen this week in a Jerusalem Cinema too: "Simultaneous world premiere in Jerusalem and Paris: Fernandel in the well-known story full of entertainment and rich scenes. With Semaya Jamal, the famous Egyptian Dancer, and Dieter Borsche." Borsche, our friends tell us is a leading German star. Perhaps he also heads the Keren Hayesod there. As for the world *premiere*, this must not be taken literally. The film was showing at the Cairo "Radio" four weeks ago. The influence of the Arab League, after all, is limited. We should like to draw the attention of Mr. Abdul Halek Hassouna to another two harmful movies shown in Egypt at present: "The Egyptian" (with Victor Mature in Cinemascope) and "King Richard and the Crusaders" (at the "Rialto." Alexandria, with Virginia Mayo and Rex Harrison.) Be that as it may, the devilish idea to undermine morale in the Arab League countries with the help of "Ali Baba" is a most remarkable one. What machiavellian brain in Mr. Aranne's Ministry is responsible for this *coup*?

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TO be offended by films is, of course, no Arab League monopoly: we remember Jewish organizations protesting against Fagin and Shylock and some other types, and foolish enough it was. But generally speaking, the influence of the "Zionists" in the cinema industry appears not to be as great as commonly believed. A correspondent in London reports that there is no guaranteed distributing agency for "Hill Twenty-four" in Britain, and that the policy of the big circuit moguls bars pictures about the rise of the Jewish State. According to this source, the picture will be lucky to get a showing in a small cinema in the West End. Which reminds one of the story of the Hollywood Communists a couple of years ago: Congress investigations had shown that practically everybody there, down to Shirley Temple (with the possible exception of such quondam stars as Adolphe Menjou and Robert Montgomery) had been connected with one "front" or another. But when it came to finding out whether and to what extent their political sympathies had affected Hollywood's production, one could find no deviations at all from the colossal, red-blooded standard pictures. Which tends to show that the production of box office pictures and the cash register seems to be the consideration overriding most others. Mr. Hassouna's nightmares about Zionist subversion on the cinema front are premature. Or will "Ali Baba" fall a victim to the regrettable circumstance that the Arab League secretariat must demonstrate some sort of activity?

Jerusalem, April 3.

Who knoweth FOURTEEN?

Every connoisseur can count them:—the 14 famous brands of "Carmel Oriental": "The President's" Champagne, Brandy "Extra Fine", Vermouth "Zieren", Sauterne, Adom Atik, Carmel Hock, Chateau Montagne, Pommard, Pommereau, Windsor, Vodka Rishon, Port, Old Alicante and — one of the exquisite "Carmel Oriental" Liqueurs or Cognac with the dessert of the Passover dinner.

Knesset Recesses After Easing Taxes In Rushed Session

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The winter term of the Fourth Session of the Second Knesset came to a close at 2.40 p.m. on Friday, after the first Friday session in the Knesset history. Precedent was broken to make possible the adoption before the Spring recess of amendments to the income tax amendments, which were passed by 35 votes of the Coalition and Poalei Agudat Yisrael against eight votes of the Opposition. The House will reconvene on May 9.

The Finance Committee was in session until 3 a.m. on Friday preparing the tax bill for its second and third readings, and a number of officials continued working through the night putting the Committee's proposals and minority amendments into proper form. These included Dr. T. Brosh, Income Tax Commissioner; Mr. G. Kitron, Assistant Attorney General assigned to the Finance Committee; Mr. S. Bazak, Secretary of the Committee; and members of the clerical staff.

Friday's session, which had been announced for 9 a.m., was not opened until 10.45 because the required mimeographed material was not yet ready for the Members — and because of last-minute discussion in the Finance Committee on the allotment of speaking time.

The chief provisions of the amendments, as revised by the committee, are:

- **Tax reductions of at least 10 per cent, gradually rising on incomes above IL2,400 to 25 per cent, with a maximum annual reduction IL330.**
- **An additional reduction of IL.5 for each child — estimated as costing the Government about IL.2.2m.**
- **Full reduction for couples without children, but only half reduction for single persons.**
- **An additional 15 per cent reduction for farmers.**
- **Possibly a further reduction, or complete exemption, on incomes earned in new settlements, or in development areas (if so decided by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Finance Committee).**
- **Possibly the exemption of extra income of employees whose normal tax is properly deducted at the source (if so decided by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Finance Committee).**
- **The exemption of contributions to the special Keren Hayesod appeal for the fortification of border settlements.**

Several speakers deplored the shortness of time which the committee was given for the consideration of the Budget and the tax amendments, and while Mr. Israel Guri, the committee chairman, also regretted that they had had to work at such a rapid pace, he denied Opposition charges that, as a result, the Committee had been unable to give the legislation the consideration it deserved.

There was a commotion during the voting when Mr. A. Zisling (Ahdut Ha'avoda) demanded that two sub-sections of section 40, which deals with the 10-25 per cent reduction, be voted on separately. Mapai members, who had been charged a moment before by Mr. Zisling with not knowing what they were voting on, objected vociferously, and Deputy Speaker J. Klebanoff ruled against a separate vote.

The Speaker, Mr. Y. Sprinzak, who closed the session with praise for the devoted work of the Finance Committee and of Mr. Guri in particular, and noted that for the first time the Budget had been passed "in time and in full." He retterated his observations made on Tu Bi-Shvat that many improvements were required in Knesset procedure, and wished a happy holiday to the Members of the Knesset and to all Israel.

A WINTER'S TALE

Of 64 motions for the agenda voted on during the winter term which ended on Friday, the Knesset agreed to debate four and referred 26 others to committee, according to a statistical review of the term's work published on Friday.

Twenty-two laws were passed, and 34 others, which passed their first reading, are still in committee; of these, six are ready for their second and third readings.

There were 97 sittings lasting 345 hours, and 15,870 admission cards were distributed to the public.

The Knesset's nine committees held a total of 337 meetings, lasting 763 hours. The Finance Committee alone met 90 times, for 295 hours. In addition, there were 105 meetings of sub-committees, lasting in all for 159 hours.

A total of 334 interpellations were raised, 157 by Mapam. The Minister to whom the greatest number (56) was directed was the Minister of Commerce and Industry.

6 Wounded in Fourth Negev Mining of Week

A vehicle of an Israel patrol, travelling along the Israel-Egyptian armistice line ran over a mine yesterday in the vicinity of Nahal Oz in the Western Negev, the Army spokesman announced. In the resulting explosion and exchange of fire, six members of the patrol were injured, one of them seriously and, the vehicle was damaged.

Three Egyptian positions directed mortar and other fire at the patrol, which returned the fire. Israel has requested an emergency meeting of the Mixed Armistice Commission.

An Israel patrol vehicle ran over a mine in the vicinity of Kissufim in the Western Negev on Friday, the Army spokesman announced. The patrol suffered no casualties.

Yesterday's was the fourth mining incident in the past week. According to accounts given by those injured, it was the second of three vehicles on a routine patrol that struck the mine. Ten members of the patrol in the vehicle were thrown out by the force of the explosion, five of them sustaining injuries. Three Egyptian positions immediately opened automatic and mortar fire on the patrol, and when some of the men attempted to aid their injured comrades, the sixth soldier was seriously wounded by the Egyptian fire. The ambulance which had arrived at the scene was also fired on, and the wounded were removed only after the Israelis had returned heavy covering fire.

According to Egyptian reports from Gaza (quoted by Reuter) the incident began at 9.30 when the Israel patrol fired automatic weapons and mortar guns on Egyptian positions. The Egyptians "returned the fire" and the exchange lasted an hour-and-a-half. According to a NEARS report, an Egyptian soldier was fatally wounded.

Egypt has protested to the MAC. She also claims that the armistice line was violated by an Israel patrol car which penetrated 15 kilometres inside the Egyptian-held Gaza Strip.

Arab Legionnaires stoned the Israel police hut at Mandelbaum Gate early on Friday morning. No one was injured. A complaint was submitted to the Mixed Armistice Commission.

Jordan Censured For Shepherd Incident

The Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission, meeting in an emergency session, yesterday censured Jordan for an incident on Wednesday in which Jordanian national and village guards had fired across the border near Mt. Gilboa in the Beisan area.

The Commission failed to adopt paragraphs of the Israel resolution charging that Jordanian civilians had pastured their flocks in Israel territory and that Jordanians had crossed the Armistice Line, and a Jordanian resolution charging that an Israel armed force had fired on two Jordanian shepherds in the same incident and that a Jordanian National Guardsman was killed in the ensuing exchange of fire across the border.

The Commission called upon the Jordanian authorities to adopt the necessary measures to prevent such and similar violations of the Armistice Agreement.

After explaining his vote, the Chairman of the MAC, Col. Charles Brewster, mentioned that joint patrols in areas where there is evidence of illegal cultivation and illegal grazing, might eliminate incidents of this nature.

U.S. ENVOY PAYS SECOND CALL ON SHARETT

The Prime Minister, Mr. Moshe Sharett, received the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Edward B. Lawson, on Friday. Mr. Lawson transmitted his Government's views on last week's Security Council decision and the latest incidents on the Israel-Egyptian border.

The meeting was a sequel to that held the day previously, and it is understood that further meetings have been scheduled.

Boy Hiker Dies in Negev 'Sharav'

BEERSHEBA, Saturday. — All hikers now in the Negev were ordered to remain, where they are until the end of the *sharav* following the death of a 17-year-old hiker in the *makhtesh kattan* yesterday. The dead boy is David Eisenberg, of the Shapira Quarter of Tel Aviv.

He was taking part in a hike of 250 Hashomer Hatzair members from many parts of the country. The boy was a pupil of the Herzliya Gymnasium. His funeral will be held at 4 o'clock tomorrow.

Two other young members of the same group suffered from sunstroke, but recovered in hospital and are expected to be released tomorrow.

(Authoritative reports reaching Tel Aviv said that there were no other casualties among the 1,500 hikers who are now in the Negev on pre-Passover hikes. Some of the young people were brought back to Tel Aviv by car during the day, but most of them remained as near to a water source as possible, and expect to continue when the heat subsides.)

The Hashomer Hatzair group, composed of young men and women aged 17 and 18, started out on Wednesday. On Friday morning, when the *sharav* was felt, the hikers intended to cut short their day's programme and camp on a height over the *makhtesh kattan*. The boys helped the girls to carry their packs up the hill, and Eisenberg was doing so when he collapsed.

Scouts Safe

A homing pigeon was sent out with an s.o.s., but it did not reach its destination. Runners were also dispatched to the hikers' headquarters. Police dispatched a medical officer from Beersheba at night, and the police sub-district superintendent also went to the spot.

Meanwhile, about 200 senior Scouts, who set out from Tel Aviv yesterday on an excursion to Eilat, were reported today safe near a water source in the heart of the Negev. They had marched over 30 kilometres, and were supplied in the desert by water brought on six camels supplied by a local Beduin tribe.

They will now continue the tour by car, and are expected to be home on Tuesday. The hike was officially approved by the Ministry of Defence, and was given facilities including radio contact with a reconnaissance plane.

Hot, Hotter, Hottest

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The most severe *sharav* of the year so far hit the country over the week-end, reaching its peak with a temperature of nearly 38° C. in Tel Aviv yesterday, compared with 26° on Friday. There is no likelihood of a let-up in the weather today, the forecast being that "the *sharav* will continue."

Most persons in the towns took refuge in the shade. Those who did venture into the scorching heat made for the beach or sat sipping long drinks in the open-air sidewalk cafes that were crowded in Tel Aviv and on Mt. Carmel. Crowds thronged the beach, many taking their first dip of the season. The sea itself lay languid under the heat with hardly a ripple on its surface.

The intensity of the *sharav* is said to be due to the penetration of a surface depression from the Sudan which moved in along the Red Sea with a southeasterly dry desert wind.

In the afternoon, clouds appeared causing local light showers in the coastal plain and the Negev. At Nir Yitzhak, two millimetres of rain were reported.

COWS AND CHEMICALS

WASHINGTON, Saturday (INA). — The Foreign Operations Administration yesterday announced authorizations for Israel covering industrial chemicals and dairy cattle for breeding. Israel will receive $85,000 in industrial chemicals and $80,000 worth of cattle (from Turkey).

BRITISH PRESS STRIKE STILL DEADLOCKED

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter)— A 10-hour meeting between British press chiefs and union leaders ended last night with London's 8-day old newspaper strike still deadlocked.

Five Fires Blaze In Tel Aviv Area

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Five fires in the Tel Aviv area caused severe damage during the past 24 hours.

On Friday morning, the local fire brigade was summoned to the synagogue at 16 Rehov Tchelenov, where one of the oil heaters used to warm the water in the ritual bath had caught fire. The flames were extinguished before any damage could be done.

A few hours later, the brigade was summoned to Rehov 4 in Jaffa, where a fire had broken out in a toy factory.

Just before evening, firemen were summoned to a house in Rehov Merhavia here, by neighbours who had noticed flames and smoke. The fire had originated in a refrigerator motor and was soon extinguished.

Damage estimated at thousands of pounds was caused by a fire in the Shapir paper factory this afternoon. Passers-by in Rehov Giborei Israel who noticed the flames among the raw materials in the yard, called the Givatayim Fire Brigade, which immediately sent two engines.

Before the Shapir blaze was brought under control, another was reported in the Yahalom Press in Rehov Tchelenov. Several thousands of pounds worth of damage were caused before the flames were brought under control. *(UPI/IM)*

Vain Bid to Save J'lem Council

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A last-minute attempt by the Orthodox bloc and the General Zionists, in the Jerusalem Municipality to reach an agreement on reforming the Coalition failed last night when the third partner, Herut, refused to return.

After postponing a decision last week, the Cabinet is expected at its meeting today to discuss dissolving the Council and setting up a five-man Special Committee to take over until the election.

The General Zionists made the return of Herut a condition for their joining, since the Herut votes were needed to re-elect Mr Eliahu Eliachar, former Deputy Mayor, to his former post. Earlier, the Orthodox bloc and the General Zionists had come to an agreement on settling the dispute between Mayor Y. Kariv and Mr. Eliachar, by Mr. Kariv taking the "70 days of vacation due him," while Mr. Eliachar would act as Mayor.

At a meeting at the Orion Cinema yesterday, Mayor Kariv said that, during his tenure in office, he had managed to reduce the city's debt by several hundred thousand pounds and had built more than a hundred classrooms.

Mr. Yitzhak Rafael, M.K., said that the fight in Jerusalem centred around the principle of whether the city would be run by religious or secular Jews. Dr. Israel Weinstock presided.

Cross Lines on Orders —Nasser Tells Troops

The Egyptian Premier, Abdul Nasser, told soldiers on Thursday during his tour of the Gaza area that they could cross the armistice lines if ordered to do so, the Arab News Agency reported yesterday.

He said, "You must certainly obey orders, but if the enemy approaches, shoot and kill without waiting for instructions. But you cannot cross the lines and approach the enemy without orders."

In the El Arish area, the Premier told troops, "Here you will fight and here you will win. This time, there is no alternative."

Cairo Parley Closing Without Signature

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuter). — The Syrian Foreign Minister, Khaled el Azem, today submitted amendments to the draft agreement between Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria, at talks between the three nations here today.

A spokesman for the Syrian delegation said that the proposed amendments would "lead to strengthening the political, military and economic relations between the signatory powers." He did not think the new pact would be signed within the next week.

The conference will adjourn tomorrow without adopting any final resolutions or signature, as previously predicted. This became known after General Shawkat Shukeir, the Syrian Commander in Chief and member of the delegation to the talks, announced that the mission will leave tomorrow morning.

Turkey Offers Syria Border Adjustments

The Turkish Government is preparing to make representations to Syria for frontier adjustments to prevent clashes. An Ankara report said that the Turkish belief is that the present "artificial" frontier facilitates smuggling which has led to clashes between smugglers and Turkish forces for several years.

President Camille Chamoun of the Lebanon, who arrived in Ankara on Friday for an official visit, said that his country was desirous of strengthening political relationship with Turkey.

Within a very few months, the Iraqi Army will be so equipped by Britain that it will be the most powerful Arab force, the British-controlled Near East Arab Broadcasting Station said yesterday.

Commenting on the new Anglo-Iraqi alliance, the radio added that the Iraqi Air Force would soon be given high powered jet planes making it among the most modern in the world.

Military missions from Persia, Jordan and Iraq have arrived in Turkey and are now on a tour of inspection of military installations.

Stopping in Beirut on his way to Karachi from Geneva, Premier Mohammed Ali of Pakistan declared yesterday that his Government had received an invitation to join the Turco-Iraqi pact and was now studying it "favourably."

Premier Adnan Menderes, of Turkey, and Premier Sami e-Solh, of the Lebanon, signed a *modus vivendi* yesterday which is to be in force for one year. A trade and navigation agreement will be negotiated later, it was announced in Ankara.

The agreement provided for each country giving the most favourable privileges to each other on commercial problems, navigation, and customs tariffs.

The two Premiers had a 90-minute talk, which centred on relations with Arab nations in the face of the Turco-Iraqi pact, as wel as on the present Turco-Syrian tension.

Meanwhile, the British Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R.H. Turton, left for Baghdad yesterday to sign the new Anglo-Iraqi defence arrangements. Iraq will proclaim Wednesday a national holiday in celebration of the new treaty.

Belgrade 'Uneasy' Over New Anglo-Iraqi Pact

BELGRADE, Saturday. — Yugoslavia is uneasy over the inclusion of Britain in the Turco-Iraqi pact because she believes that such treaties should be purely regional, the government spokesman indicated yesterday.

A Syrian delegation of 12 Members of Parliament arrived here yesterday on a 14-day visit to the country.

Military representatives of Greece, Turkey and Yugoslavia will meet here on April 5, Tanjug, the Yugoslav news agency, said in an official announcement today.

U.S. SENATE RATIFIES PARIS AGREEMENTS

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — The U.S. Senate today ratified the Paris agreements to bring a sovereign armed West Germany into a European defence alliance.

Ratification of the treaties for which the only Congressional approval required is that of the Senate, came after only three hours of debate.

The treaties still have to be ratified by Denmark, Holland, Belgium and Luxemburg; they have already been ratified by Britain, France, Italy and Germany.

340 KILLED IN PHILIPPINE EARTHQUAKE

DANHALAN, Philippines, Saturday (UP). — Some 340 persons were killed in the Lanao Lake region of the Philippines during a violent earthquake yesterday. The region has a population of 150,000. Two thousand houses were reported wrecked.

Some villages were totally destroyed by the quake and tidal waves.

President Ramon Magsaysay has allocated 100,000 pesos ($50,000) for relief in Lanao, 25,000 pesos for Ozamis City and 50,000 pesos for Iligan City. The aid is limited to food and medical supplies.

Army Deposes King of Yemen

Imam Ahmed of the Yemen was deposed by the Army in a bloodless coup and was replaced by his brother, Saif el Islam Abdullah, on the throne. This information was received in Aden, and confirmed last night in Cairo by the Yemenite Premier, Saif el Islam Hassan.

Abdullah, 48, is the former King's younger brother and until now was Foreign Minister. His post made him one of the few Yemenites known to the West.

The Imam had personally left his palace to meet the army leaders, but during the abdication negotiations, he refused to give up his El Urdhi fortress at Taez, the capital. Ahmed also asked to meet his brother, but was refused. Reports indicated that the atmosphere was calm, but there was concern for the reaction of Ahmed's son, El Badr Mohammed, who flew to a stronghold at Hajja after the abdication.

It was he who had directed military operations from there in 1948, the year his father won the throne after his predecessor, Yehia Hamid e-Din, had been assassinated. Yehia and two of his nine sons were backed to death by revolutionaries.

The reports said that the current dispute between the Army and the Imam began when soldiers collecting taxes at Hoban, near Taez, were attacked by tribesmen who killed three of them. The Army demanded permission to launch a punitive campaign, and when a battalion was sent to Hoban to maintain order, clashes broke out.

Later, the Army fought with the King's bodyguard at Taez, and demanded the Imam's abdication.

(Reuter, UP)

Cairo-Urged Rebels Arrested in Tunisia

TUNIS, Saturday (Reuter). — Twenty-two persons alleged to have planned a wave of violence in Tunisian cities and farms have been arrested following a five-hour street battle on Tuesday, it was announced last night. It is claimed that the rebels had received orders from Cairo.

They are said by the police to have planned to assassinate several prominent Tunisian leaders.

Negotiations are continuing here between French and Tunisian leaders on the terms of the internal autonomy France has offered the Protectorate.

In Paris this morning, the Council of the Republic confirmed by 233 votes to 77 a state of emergency in neighbouring Algeria. Yesterday, the National Assembly approved the declaration which grants the Governor-General and Prefects of Algerian departments wide powers to combat terrorism by about 500 outlaws in the rugged Aures mountain region.

An Algerian court today gave 17 persons sentences ranging from eight years in jail and a 1m. francs fine to 10 years in jail and a 2m. francs fine for having attempted to destroy the electrical installations of a village.

Churchill Completes Resignation Plans

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Sir Winston Churchill was reported tonight to have completed all arrangements to resign the premiership and hand over office to Sir Anthony Eden on Tuesday.

The 80-year-old statesman will place his resignation in the hands of Queen Elizabeth in a formal audience at Buckingham Palace on that day, and the announcement of his retirement will probably be made late on Tuesday night.

Official quarters still decline to confirm the event, but it is known that they are standing by for a news release which will also include Sir Anthony Eden's acceptance of the Queen's invitation to head the Conservative Government.

The news of Sir Anthony's succession is expected to be followed at an early date by an announcement about the general election which most political quarters now confidently tip for May 26.

Conservative gains in Friday's County Council elections throughout Britain and a £433m. budget surplus announced today gave the Government party good grounds for expecting an increased majority in the general elections. The Conservatives gained 14 seats on the Labour-controlled London County Council; in the rest of the country the trend to the right was less marked.

Terror in Cyprus 'Only Beginning'

NICOSIA, Saturday. — Anti-British terrorists distributed leaflets throughout Cyprus today warning that their sudden surge of bomb-throwing from Thursday is "only the beginning." "We shall strike before Easter," (April 10) the leaflets proclaim. They are signed C.O.K.A., initials for the Greek words for "National Organization for Cyprus Struggle."

A loud explosion shook the centre of Nicosia tonight, 10 minutes after a smaller explosion had been heard. There was no immediate information as to where the explosions had taken place.

On Thursday and Friday nights, bombs and grenades were thrown at police and army installations and at the homes of important British officials.

Police have put up road blocks outside the island's main towns and have strung barbed wire around strategic points.

At least 16 incidents were reported in the first night's terror when bombs were thrown in the four major towns almost simultaneously. One rebel was accidentally killed as he tried to cut a power line, and a police officer was slightly injured by a bomb.

Attackh On Radio

Masked men invaded the broadcasting studios here and set off explosives, the ensuing fire completely gutting the south wing; another blast rocked a petrol station on a main road out of Nicosia, and grenades were thrown at a bus. There were no injuries from these attacks. Considerable damage was done when a bomb exploded against the home of a Colonel Hatch, near the New Cleopatra Hotel.

Slight damage was caused at the Wolsey Barracks, just outside the ancient wall of Nicosia, where General Sir Charles Keightly's British Middle East H.Q. is housed. There were also explosions at the ports of Famagusta, Larnaca and Limassol.

An official communique today said that two Greek students were arrested here last night with leaflets and drawing pins in their possession.

The island's two Turkish-language daily newspapers vigorously denounced the violence, "Hur Sor" asked for the immediate intervention of the British and Turkish governments, while "Halkin Sesi" said: "Unless the Government ceases its spineless kid-glove methods in handling the Greek *enosis* campaign, life will become impossible on Cyprus. *(Reuter, UP)*

Greece to Resubmit Enosis to U.N.

ATHENS, Saturday (Reuter). — Field Marshal Alexander Papagos, the Greek Prime Minister, said today that Greece would shortly submit again to the U.N. the question of Cyprus.

(The issue of self-determination for Cyprus was shelved when it was brought before the U.N. by Greece late last year.)

The Greek Premier told representatives of the Cyprus Ethnarcy in Athens today that his Government "will struggle until final victory in which we believe."

The "Messagere Apostrophe Athenee," which usually reflects Government views, wrote today "We do not approve of the Cyprus outrages as we disapprove of anything basic1 on violence and not on law.

"However, the Cypriots, frustrated in their most sacred endeavour and meeting only obstinate refusals in their appeals for justice, are forced to have recourse to procedures which are not in their nature. All national revolutions are legitimate," the newspaper added.

China Alleges U.S. Plane Incursions

HONG KONG, Saturday.—China today alleged "armed provocations" by intruding American aircraft, and accused the U.S. of wanting to increase Far East tension.

Peking Radio said that American planes flew 18 sorties over Chinese territory yesterday, on one occasion being put to flight by Chinese aircraft.

It was learned from usually well-informed sources in Washington, today, that Australia, New Zealand and Britain are actively considering the possibility of joining the U.S. in guaranteeing the defence of Formosa and the Pescadores.

The sources emphasized that the Commonwealth countries were determined not to extend such a guarantee to the offshore islands of Quemoy and Matsu. But if the Nationalist garrisons were withdrawn from Quemoy and Matsu, the Commonwealth nations might join the U.S. in attempting to discourage China from further intransigence over Formosa.

Meanwhile, Democratic opposition to President Eisenhower's "fumbling and faltering" over Quemoy and Matsu has been growing. The Administration has been charged with pushing the nation towards war in the Formosa Straits.

Senate Democratic Leader, Hubert Humphrey, and Senators Lehman, Long and Morse have sponsored a resolution demanding that the President make clear that the U.S. will not fight to defend Quemoy and Matsu.

(Reuter, UP)

West, East Germans Negotiate on Tolls

BERLIN, Saturday (Reuter). — West German government officials today resumed their talks on inter-zonal trade with East German officials which were broken off as a result of the increased *autobahn* tolls earlier this week, it was announced.

The tolls were imposed from midnight on Thursday.

The trade negotiators are the only East and West German officials keeping permanent contact with each other. The West German side is expected to tell the East Germans that interzonal trade would be restricted if East Germany insists on the new tolls, regarded here as a "cold blockade."

Only these new tolls, raised from between 100 and 1,000 per cent and valid since yesterday, are to be on the agenda at the present talks.

Yesterday, the West German Government threatened to stop all East-West German trade if the new tolls are not cancelled.

Rebel Reserves Near Saigon

SAIGON, Saturday. — Rebel reinforcements marched to within artillery range of the Vietnam capital tonight, and the dissident leaders issued another stern demand for the resignation of Premier Ngo Dinh Diem. A decision in the battle for control of South Vietnam appeared imminent.

The sects brought two battalions, consisting of 1,600 troops, close to the western outskirts where dissident forces are already entrenched. Their link-up was expected at any moment but there was no immediate sign of any Government counter-measure.

No Conditions

Gen. Le Van Vien, the self-styled commander of the anti-Government forces, called on the Premier to resign. He said that the sects had no conditions to present and would not even request participation in a new Cabinet. Their only interest was "national," he stated.

Commandos of the rebel army have already cut off Saigon's road and waterway communications with western Cochin-China and the rice-growing Mekong River delta.

Shots were fired in Saigon last night and early today. The first fusillade was fired at the villa in the European quarter where Gen. Nguyen Phuong, commander of the Cao Dai forces, is living.

Meanwhile, the head of the Cao Dai sect flatly denied yesterday having transferred his private army of 25,000 to the control of the national Army. A national army captain who went over to the Binh Xuyen sect with 120 men told reporters, "I refuse to shoot at my brothers." *(Reuter, UP)*

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The Prime Minister and Mrs. Sharett were luncheon hosts yesterday to Judge and Mrs. Saro Friedman, Judge and Mrs. Harry K. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Zacks, Mr. Benjamin Pepper, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gelber, Mr. Eric W. Heinemann, Mrs. Marta E. Nussbaum, Mrs. Catherine S. Falk, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Bronfman, Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Sagny, Dr. and Mrs. Erric Rabau, Prof. Norman Bentwich, Dr. and Mrs. Curt Wormann, Dr. and Mrs. George Wise and Miss Margaret Sylvester-Samuel.

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Miss Marian Anderson, the contralto, fully recovered from her laryngitis, received a tremendous ovation when she appeared with the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra in Tel Aviv last night. Among the audience were the U.S. Ambassador and Mrs. Lawson, the British Ambassador and Mrs. Nicholls, the Belgian Minister and Mrs. Dubois, the Turkish Minister, Mr. Sefkati Istinyeli, and other members of the Diplomatic Corps, the Mayor of Tel Aviv and Mrs. Levanon, and Mr. and Mrs. Israel Sieff.

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A performance of the Hungarian film, "Chin Up," sponsored by the Hungarian Charge d'Affaires Mr. K. Jeo, was held at the Yaron Cinema in Tel Aviv on Friday. The Russian Ambassador, Mr. A. A. Abramov, the Bulgarian Minister, Mr. G. Zenguilekov, and members of the diplomatic missions of People's Republics were among the guests.

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A dinner in honour of Dr. Erie Heinemann, Israel Honorary Consul in Guatemala, was given last week in Beit Shalom, Jerusalem, by Mr. Eliahu Dobkin, Chairman of the Keren Hayesod Directorate.

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The Israel Pavilion at the Rand Easter show in Johannesburg was opened last Wednesday by the Israel Consul, Mr. E. Eyion. The South African Deputy Minister for Commerce and Industry and the Mayor of Johannesburg were among those present. Seventy-five commercial enterprises, the Bank Leumi Shoham and El Al are represented.

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ARRIVALS: Mr. S. Horn, Economic Adviser to the Ministry of Finance, from an inspection tour of the Incode Meat Company installations in Eritrea and French Somaliland; Captain Gregory Smith, from London, to take up his new post as Air and Naval Attache to the British Embassy (by Cyprus Airways); Mr. Ze'ev Argaman, Israel Chargé d'Affaires in Bucharest, and Mrs. Argaman, for their son's wedding (by LAI); Miss Caroline Nicholls, daughter of the British Ambassador, and two sons of the British Military Attache, Lt. Col. G.E.H. Thelwall, from London, to spend the Easter holidays with their parents (by BOAC); Mr. and Mrs. N. Ransohef of Cincinnati, Dr. H. Heiman and Mr. A. Cantor, both of Pittsburgh, for a two-week visit as guests of Ampal (by El Al).

DEPARTURES: Mr. Y. Gluckman, Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, for a 10-day official visit to the U.S. (by El Al).

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Three art exhibitions opened in Beit Tzvi, Ramat Gan, on Friday. Watercolours and ceramics by Miss Hava Samuel, puppets by Miss Edith Samuel, her sister, and drawings and models of stage sets by Dr. Paul Loewy.

BIRTH A BRITH MILAH

COHEN — Payge and Solly (Yehezkel) Cohen are happy to announce the birth of their son on Friday, April 1, at the Sha'are Zedek Hospital, Jerusalem. Brith Milah at home.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM
At 2.30, 6.30 and 8.35 p.m.
ARMON: City Lights (second week).
EDEN: Lili, Metrescope, at 10.50 a.m.
EDISON: All Hake and the 40 Thieves.
GINNA: Law and Order.
ORION: Bohemian Girl.
OREGIL: Hill 24 Doesn't Answer.
RON: Hill 24 Doesn't Answer.
STUDIO: Heidi, Child of The Mountains.
TEL OR: Devil's Canyon.
ZION: Chicos.

TEL AVIV
At 2.30, 5.15 and 8.15 p.m.
ALLENBY: Verdi.
CHEN: Doctor In The House
ESTHER: Rhapsody.
MIGDALOR: Crossed Swords.
MOGRABI: The High and The Mighty (second week).
OHEIH: Hill 24 Doesn't Answer (third week).
ORION: Blowing Wild.
TAMAR: Just For You.
YARON: Living It Up.

HAIFA
EN DOR: Last of the Comanches.
ORION: The Black Castle.
PEER: Magnificent Obsession.
GAL OR: The Princess of the Nile, 6.45 & 9 p.m. Matinee: Force of Arms.
HAY: Mogambo.
AMPHITHEATRE: Le Grand Jeu.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post
April 3, 1955

In the Supreme Court Sitting As Court of Criminal Appeal
Before the Deputy President (Justice Cheshin), Justices Sussman and Berinson

The Attorney General, Appellant, v. Walter Zentner, Respondent (Cr.A. 205/54).

Trustee Guilty of Currency Offence

The Supreme Court, in a majority judgment, allowed an appeal against a verdict of the Haifa District Court, delivered on June 9, 1954 (Cr. C. 273/53).

In 1949, Walter Zentner came to Israel as a new immigrant from one of the Central European countries. He informed the Ministry of Finance that he had transferred certain sums of money belonging to some of his fellow-countrymen to the United States where it was being held by a relation of his, subject to his instructions. He enquired whether, in the event of his deciding to bring this foreign currency to Israel and keep it in a bank here, he would be allowed to send it out of the country as soon as the people for whose benefit he was holding it should claim their money. The Ministry of Finance replied in the affirmative, on condition that he could prove that the money was not his but was merely held by him in trust for his friends.

Mr. Zentner wrote again to the Ministry to the effect that he did not find this reply satisfactory since he feared that if he should get a demand from abroad to transfer the money, this would not satisfy the demands for proof on the part of the Ministry and he would be prevented from fulfilling his duty towards those who had placed their trust in him. He therefore informed the Ministry that he had decided not to transfer the money from the United States to Israel.

A few of those people who had entrusted their money to Mr. Zentner eventually left Europe and wrote to him asking for their money, upon which he instructed his relative in the United States to hand the appropriate sums over to them. Because of this he was charged in the Haifa District Court with an offence against section 6 (2B) (b) (ii) of the Defence (Finance) Regulations, 1941, which states that

> no person who is entitled (whether actually or contingentally) to receive a payment in any foreign currency to which this regulation applies... shall, except with permission granted by or on behalf of the Minister of Finance, do or refrain from doing any act with intent to secure that the payment ceases, in whole or in part, to be receivable by him.

Judge Shonim held that Mr. Zentner had not been "entitled to receive" any payment in foreign currency since he had no legal right to receive the money for himself. He therefore acquitted him.

Mr. A. Eltzis appeared for the appellant. Mr. Davideesu for the respondent.

Judgment

Justice Cheshin, who delivered the majority judgment, Justice Berinson concurring, pointed out that the issue before the court was the interpretation of the expression "is entitled to receive a payment" in the section quoted. After analysing the position with regard to the holder of the legal title to the money (the respondent) and the holders of the equitable title to the money (those for whom the respondent had transferred money to the United States), Justice Cheshin held that only the respondent was entitled to receive payments of foreign currency from the relative in the States to whom he had entrusted the money, whereas the beneficial owners had no access whatsoever to the relative who, if he had given them money at any time without instructions from the respondent was responsible to the latter for any resulting loss. This, in his opinion, was what the law meant when it referred to "entitled to receive payments."

As regards the rights of the beneficial owners, Justice Cheshin pointed out that the legislator had anticipated this question by including the words "except by permission by or on behalf of the Minister." It must, of necessity, be presumed that the Minister would not refuse the respondent, in his capacity as a trustee, permission to do what he had done without permission. After comparing section 6 (2B) with section 4D of the same Regulations, Justice Cheshin concluded that the intention was to include within the terms of the former section any payment that a person was entitled to receive, whatever its source, its location, or its description. He held, in conclusion, that the provision to act "with intent" was also satisfied, since the fact that the respondent had been in touch with the Ministry about the foreign currency which he had left in the States and then decided to leave it there despite persistent demands on the part of the Ministry that he transfer it to Israel, was evidence that in handing these sums over to certain other persons he had, with intent secured that payment to himself should cease.

Minority Judgment

Justice Sussman, in his minority judgment, after a survey of the history of section 6 (2B) and a comparison between it and section 6 (1) held that the person who is "entitled to receive a payment in any foreign currency," according to section 6 (2B), is the same person who is due to become "entitled to sell foreign currency," according to section 6 (1). Since the respondent was not the owner of the money, but merely a bailee or agent subject to the directions of the real owners of the money, therefore he could not do with it as he pleased and was not "entitled to sell" it. It had already been held by the courts that a person to whom foreign currency was entrusted in Israel without his being authorized to sell it was not guilty of an offence against section 6 (1) of the Regulations, although he had not offered this money to the Ministry. (Cr. A. 498/52, Poalim Mehoslim 7/420).

The question, therefore, was whether the position in law should be different for a person to whom the foreign currency was not entrusted in Israel but in the United States. The answer to this question, Justice Sussman held, was to be found in the extent to which the control of foreign currency was restricted to the territorial boundaries of Israel. In H.C. 279/51 (the Amsterdam case) it was held that a person resident abroad who had foreign currency abroad did not have to declare this currency to the Israel Ministry of Finance, whereas any person who owed allegiance to Israel by virtue of his being a citizen or resident was legally bound to declare his foreign holdings, whether they were held abroad or in Israel.

On the basis of this precedent, Justice Sussman held that the obligation to receive the permission of the Minister before doing anything likely to effect the cessation of payment of foreign currency applied only to such persons who were resident in Israel and who were entitled to receive a payment in foreign currency, or such persons who, while not resident in Israel, were entitled to receive a payment in foreign currency which was held in Israel. In the present case, neither the money was in Israel, nor were the owners Israel citizens, and therefore the Ministry had no control over it whatsoever. (See also Cr. A. 73/51 P.D. 5/1648).

With regard to the apprehension that his conclusions were likely to lead to evasions of the currency regulations, Justice Sussman pointed out that section 10B of the Regulations covered this contingency since it placed the burden of proof of exemption upon the shoulders of any person charged with acting without being formally exempted.

Appeal allowed. The court imposed a fine of IL50 only on the respondent, in consideration of the fact that he had acted as a trustee and that the foreign currency did not actually belong to him.

Judgment given on March 28, 1955.

Z.O.A. HOUSE STRIKERS BACK TO WORK

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Employees of the Z.O.A. House here went back to work yesterday after having been on strike since Tuesday. The Minister of Health, Mr. Yosef Serlin, who is chairman of the House Management Committee, told them that a subcommittee would inquire into their financial claims. He asked the strikers not to spoil the programme of Passover activities planned for the House.

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Department of Antiquities special exhibition: Excavations of a Canaanite Temple of the seacoast of Nahariya (XVIIIth-XVth centuries B.C.E.), 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Open 9-1, 4-6.

Exhibition of all Dead Sea Scrolls now in Israel, on view in Senate Room of Hebrew University's Administration Bldg., 67 King George St., open to public, 3-6 p.m. Hours 10 a.m.-1 p.m. reserved for institutions and organised groups, who must apply for admission beforehand to University's Adult Education Centre (Tel. 4274).

Rare books & incunabula from collections of Jewish National and University Library and autographs from Abraham Sharon (Schwadron) Collection of Jewish Autographs & Portraits, on view at Kiryat Sefer Library (branch of Jewish National and University Library), 14 Balfour St., Talbieh, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; 4-6 p.m.

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★ **Tours:—**

Hebrew University conducted tour, New Administration Building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta. 10 a.m.

★ **Lecture:—**

Mr. Eliezer Livneh, M.K., on "The Crusades and the State of Israel" (second talk), Beeri Club, 9 Rehov Alharizi, 8.30 p.m.

TEL AVIV

★ **Exhibition:—**

"New Horizons" comprising works by 18 painters and sculptors. Museum 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

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★ **Exhibition:—**

Paintings by Chad Gadja. Tractyn Art Gallery, opp. Zion Hotel, 10-1, 4-6.

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★ **Theatre:—**

Do-Re-Mi, "Countess Maritza," Jaffa Or Cinema, 8 p.m.

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Habimah, "The Caine Mutiny," 8 p.m.

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Habimah, "The Tea House of the August Moon," 8 p.m.

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6.00 a.m. Morning Programme (Haifa only). 6.30 Service. 6.55 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.10 Morning Melodies (R). 7.45 Oriental Music (R). 9.00 Close Down.

12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Housewives' Corner. 12.50 Requests (R). 1.30 Messages to Immigrants. 1.45 Songs of the People (R). 3.15 Service from the Catholic Church, Haifa.

4.00 Music for Sunday (R). 4.40 Vocal Recital: Shimeon Yisraeli. 5.00 Talmud Lesson. 5.30 Children's Hour. 7.00 Kol Yisrael Orchestra: Light Music (R). 7.30 Talk. 7.45 What's New in Science. 8.00 Walls of Work. 8.35 Bible Readings. 8.45 Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, Conductor: Michael Taubé; Soloist: Moshe Murvitz: Violin Concerto in G minor (Mendelssohn); Overture "Romeo & Juliet" (Tschaikowsky). 9.35 Round Table Discussion. 10.15 Vocal Recital: Reena Samsonov. 10.30 Ron Bah (R). 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
497, 468, 325, 298, 48.9 & 25.2 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m. 10.15 p.m. French News: 2.00 p.m.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.15 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 6.30 French. 7.00 Yiddish. 7.30 Ladino. 8.00 Close Down. 8.45 Rumanian. 9.00 Hungarian. 9.15 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (32.2 M.): (South Africa Programme): 6.30 p.m. News. 6.37 Personal Columns. 6.45 Newsreel. 7.06 Yiddish Programme. 7.15 Close Down.

11.15 p.m. News. 11.25 Personal Columns. 11.30 Newsreel. 11.45 Music in our Land. 12.00 Talmud Lesson.

ARMY PROGRAMME (444.6, 214, 205 & 229 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Songs. 7.00 Sports. 7.15 Intermezzo. "Flashlight." 7.45 Classical Requests: Works by Mendelssohn, Grieg, Ravel & De Falla. 8.30 News. 8.45 Brigade's 10th Anniversary. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

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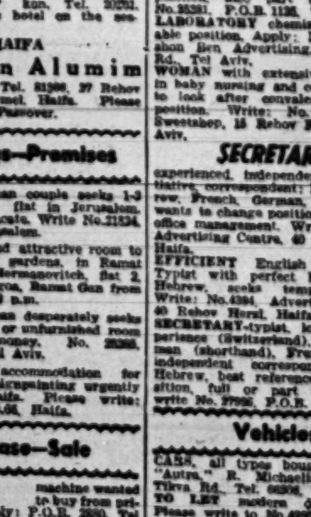

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Mt. Cana'an	26	15	26	26
Tiberias	28	14	—	—
Haifa Port	20	22	26	24
Netanya	13	20	26	24
Tel Aviv Port	21	16	27	24
Lydda Airport	19	16	25	23
Jerusalem	13	22	21	20
Beersheba	9	16	24	22
Eilat	22	20	34	32

(A) Humidity at 9 a.m. (B) Minimum temp. (C) Maximum yesterday. (D) Maximum temp. expected today.

RAINFALL TOTAL

	For week ending March 27.	Totals for period March 27, 1955
Kfar Blum	1.3	397.5
Dan	10.3	676.3
Mount Cana'an	3.7	429.2
Kfar Hanassi	7.5	345.0
Tiberias	14.7	380.7
Mount Tabor	1.3	354.9
Degania	4.1	262.4
Afikim	1.3	298.1
Hodot Bah	4.3	283.3
Mishmar Ha'emek	3.0	420.0
Haifa Airport	2.0	391.5
Haifa Port	0.5	421.0
Ramatayim	0.5	324.0
Hakirya	0.0	399.1
Lydda	0.1	413.5
Rehovot	0.3	406.0
Biron	2.4	398.8
Tel Shahar	1.3	347.0
Hatzor	1.1	406.5
Jerusalem	20.0	399.3
Mishmar Hanegev	0.3	276.0
Urim	10.3	295.7
Beersheba	0.8	271.1
Hatzerim	20.3	311.7
Nir Yitzhak	0.5	170.3
Revulot	0.5	120.5
Revivim	24.7	86.9
Givat Rahel	0.9	41.3
Eilat	0.8	36.9

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JUMPING INTO a burning canvas hut in the Pardesia Hanna immigrants camp yesterday, Victor Gabbai, 17, saved a woman trapped inside. Two other canvas huts went up in flames. Fire also destroyed a Swedish hut and its contents, resulting in an estimated IL32,000 damage.

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A POISONOUS viper entered the operating room of the Schweitzer Hospital in Tiberias on Friday and calmly crawled along the floor. The nurses called for help and the male staff members killed the intruder.

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THE FIRST trial pumping took place at a station of the Yarkon-Negev waterline on Friday.

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1,800 IMMIGRANTS arrived in Israel in March, according to tentative figures of the Jewish Agency Immigration Department.

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THE 5,500-TON Greek passenger liner, Agamemnon, is due today in Haifa with 335 tourists for a one-day visit.

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FOUR CHILDREN of the Labaa family of Shfar Am were taken to the Rambam Hospital in Haifa last night suffering from fish poisoning. Their condition is not serious.

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FOR CARRYING 96 children in a lorry licensed for 35, Haim Bordail of Kibbutz Barkai was fined IL300 by Magistrate Haim Aloof in Petah Tikva on Friday.

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A BUDGET for the 1955/56 fiscal year, totalling IL1,930,000 in revenue and IL1,907,000 in expenditure, was adopted by the B'nei Brak Local Council on Thursday night.

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PUPILS of the Kadouri Agricultural School were shown experiments with spraying materials, and films on farming when they visited the Shell Chemicals office in Tel Aviv on Thursday.

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MANDELBAUM GATE will be closed during the night of Passover from 5 p.m. Wednesday until 8 a.m. Thursday.

Centralization Urged Of Population Registry

The incomplete state of the card index of the Interior Ministry's Population Registry Department is partly due to the fact that the registration of births and deaths, marriages and divorces is dealt with by other government bodies which are not legally required to transmit information to the Department.

This conclusion was reached by the Knesset Interior Committee after a study of the Department made as a result of a motion for the agenda by Mr. A. Zisling (Ahdut Ha'avoda). The Committee's report was published on Friday.

Among the recommendations of the Committee are:

1) That the Population Registry Department be recognized as the only institution for population registry and as the sole official source for information included in the registry.

2) That notification of change of address be made permitted by mail, if accompanied by the identity card.

3) That registry stations be established throughout the country, and that convenient arrangements be made where a place is too small to justify the maintenance of a full-time employee of the Department.

Experts' Advice On Mineral Mining

TEL AVIV, Saturday (USIS).—Israel should concentrate on the exploitation of minerals wherever they are found in high quality deposits, but not before a thorough examination of cost is completed, Mr. John Welch, Chief of the Mineral Section of the U.S. Operations Mission, said here just before leaving Israel after a two-and-a-half year tour, during which he has worked with the Ministry of Development and Government agencies.

No adequate estimate could as yet be offered of the quantities of most minerals found here, he added.

He thought that Israel potash was "quite definitely" an exportable mineral, but phosphates, copper, iron and clays needed further evaluation before their suitability could be determined. However, they could, within a short period, supply local needs. The time might come when copper could be exported in limited quantities, dependent largely upon its competitive price. The ability to extract iron here had yet to undergo a thorough study, and it might be advisable to send the mined ore to a nearby country, such as Italy, for final processing, due to the lack of coal here.

NAT'L INCOME IN '53 WAS IL1,085m.

Israel's national income was IL1,085m. in 1953 and IL814m. in 1952, according to provisional estimates of the Central Bureau of Statistics and the Falk Project for Economic Research in Israel, released on Friday. The study was supervised by Professor R. Bachi, Government Statistician, and Dr. D. Creamer, Director of Research of the Falk Project.

Final figures for 1953 would not differ appreciably from the temporary ones, it was indicated. Those for 1953, however, would probably show a larger variation.

PARENTS COME FROM U.S. TO SEE SON'S GRAVE

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday.—The parents of Segen-Mishne Dov Ginsburg, who was killed during military exercises in the summer of 1953, arrived here today by El Al. Their trip was financed by the Defence Ministry's Department for the Commemoration of Fallen Soldiers, which makes it possible for bereaved parents abroad, who would otherwise be unable to do so, to visit the graves of their sons in Israel.

Segen-Mishne Ginsburg was mortally wounded when, to save the lives of his men, he flung himself on a live grenade which had been dropped accidentally.

The parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shmuel Ginsburg, were met by an official of the Department. Mr. Ginsburg told the press that other bereaved parents would arrive here soon from the U.S. *(ITIM)*

A.S. KAY ARRIVES

LYDDA, Saturday. — Mr. and Mrs. A.S. Kay and Mr and Mrs. Louis C. Gronsberg, of Washington D.C. arrived here this evening, via T.W.A.

Mr. Kay is President of the A.S.K. Foundation which finances activities of the disabled veterans organization of the War of Independence. He will lay the cornerstone for a veterans' convalescent home in Nahariya, for which he has contributed $200,000.

MME. NEUVILLE HERE

Mme. R. Neuville has arrived in Jerusalem to participate in the inauguration on Tuesday of the Rene Neuville Hall at the Department of Pre-History of the Hebrew University in the German Colony. M. Neuville, was French Consul-General in Jerusalem at the time of his death and an archaeologist. Mme Neuville is staying at the French Consulate General.

Fooled on First

After rising before dawn to come up to Jerusalem to testify before Judge Rodnitzky, Mr. Yosef Kajirki, 28, of Even Yehuda, near Natanya, learned to his great surprise that the summons was forged, that no such judge existed and that it was — April Fool's Day.

The unknown prankster sent the summons from Beersheba.

The Secretariat of the Courts Administration has written a letter to Mr. Kajirki's employer recommending that he be paid a day's wages, as he did not appear for work through no fault of his own. *(Itim)*

Border Villages 'Great Pioneering Feat'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — "The greatest pioneering achievement since the days of the tower and stockade outposts has been the settlement by new immigrants of the border areas, and the volunteering of young, native-born Israelis to join them," Mr. Zalman Aranne, Minister without Portfolio, told a Mapai-sponsored, pre-election meeting here yesterday.

Mapai should be judged before the elections on the basis of how normal the State was, the Minister said.

One thing which seemed to unite citizens of all countries was a reluctance to pay income tax, Mr. Aranne continued, yet in Israel, 70 per cent paid immediately they received their assessments, and there were signs that five years from now, this country would be an example of prompt payment.

Mr. Rouven Barkatt, head of the Histadrut Political Department, said that the forthcoming election should be fought on future policies and not merely on past achievements, but the electors should know that the way to judge party platforms was not by evaluating promises and popular slogans, but by seeing which previous commitments had been met.

Kishon Issue Involves 'State's Sovereignty'

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The trouble at the new Kishon Port was first and foremost a struggle for the sovereignty of the State, Mr. Josef Saphir, Minister of Transport, told the weekly meeting of the Commercial and Industrial Club here yesterday. There could be no surrender to coercion by individuals or groups, he said, for that way led to anarchy. The Minister declared that the Government was united on this question.

In an address devoted mainly to aspects of the country's economic problems, Mr. Saphir stressed that the chief concern now was the correct planning of investments, aimed at maximum employment and ability to compete in world markets. There had been great achievements, such as the stabilization of currency, increased production and exports, higher labour productivity, and a substantial decrease in unemployment, he said, but much remained to be done to meet the requirements of increased immigration and the country's need to export.

8,500 Pupils in Farm Training Schools

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — More than 8,500 pupils are studying in agricultural training schools this year, Mr. Dov Gazit, of the Ministry of Agriculture Education Department, told the press here yesterday. Of this number, 1,009 will complete their studies this year.

Mr. Meir Carmeli, agricultural schools inspector, said that the number of pupils attending must be increased if the Government's plan to extend agricultural settlements was to be realized. Parents should know that the academic programme in agricultural training schools was of the same standard as that in secondary schools, he added.

University Governors Re-elect Officers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Hebrew University's Board of Governors on Friday re-elected all principal officers, and created a Standing Committee of 30 members to act for it in years that it does not meet. Last night, it conferred three Honorary Doctorates of Philosophy and an Honorary Fellowship, and presented the Bublick Prize. It will wind up its sessions today by adopting resolutions.

The Board fixed the term of the President at four years, but since Prof. Benjamin Mazar has already served two years, his tenure will end in 1957. The Board elected five new Governors from Israel: Mr. Mordecai Namir, Mr. Ephraim Kenan, Prof. Hugo Bergman, Mr. G. Liebes, and Mr. S. Ginossar.

Because of opposition mainly from the British and Israel delegations, the move to consolidate the posts of Administrator and General Secretary was dropped, and Mr. Yair Aran will continue in the former post.

Members of the Standing Committee, which eventually will assume the powers now held by the Board of Governors, are: Mr. Daniel Auster, Prof. M. Even-Ari, Mr. A.S. Hoodess Mr. S. Horowitz, Dr. Helena Kagan, Mr. Kenan, Mr. Berl Locker, Prof. Mazar, Mr. S. Miron, Dr. D. Shimoni, all of Israel; and from abroad: Mr. Allan Bronfman, Prof. Norman Bentwich, Dr. Abba Lerner, Mr. H. Lourie, Prof. F. Gordonoff, Mr. J. Marshall, Mr. J. Mazer, Mr. D.G. Ross, Dr. Israel S. Wechsler, and Dr. George S. Wise.

Mr. Bernard Cherrick was named to the new post of University Director-General for public relations.

Before a distinguished audience in the Schocken Library last night honorary degrees were conferred on Prof. Yosef Klausner, noted Israel historian; Dr. Wechsler, for 30 years a champion of the University in America and a prominent neurologist; and Dr. Julius Jarcho, an American physician who for 36 years has built up the medical section of the University Library and has established branch medical libraries in many parts of Israel.

Prof. Giulio Racah received the IL500 Solomon Bublick prize for his published works in the field of atomic energy, and Mr. Charles Krown, of Los Angeles, Calif., was made an Honourary Fellow for his work towards the establishment of a School of Pharmacy.

SALT WATER FISH SAID PLENTIFUL

HAIFA, Saturday. — Fish are cheap and plentiful following a sharp increase in catches, thanks to the strengthening of the fishing fleet by eight German trawlers built from Reparations Funds, the Fishermen's Union spokesman said here yesterday.

A kilogram of the choicest salt-water fish now costs IL1.200 retail, while cheapest grades range from 400 pruta to IL1, the spokesman claimed.

At present, 25 trawlers are sailing as against 15 at the same time last year. Tnuva's cold stores here already hold 20 tons of fresh fish ready for the market, and the fleet's average daily catch is 15 tons, twice last year's daily average.

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League A Surprises

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — There were two big surprises in League A football today. After a goalless first half, a fast, exciting struggle between Ramat Gan Hapoel and Tel Aviv Hapoel, ended with Hertzl Fritzner scoring the decisive goal for Ramat Gan.

Netanya Maccabi registered the second shock when it defeated Rehovot Maccabi 1-0 on the latter's ground. Ozyaf netted the only goal of the game in the first half. Another surprise was Haifa Maccabi's 2-1 win at Hadera Hapoel.

In other League A games, Tel Aviv Betar routed luckless Balfouria Hapoel 6-1, Petah Tikva Maccabi beat Kfar Saba Hapoel 2-0, and Petah Tikva Hapoel defeated Jerusalem Betar, 3-0.

Petah Tikva Hapoel lead League A with 25 points from eight games, followed by Tel Aviv Maccabi with 14 from eight. At the foot of the table, Balfouria Hapoel still have only one point.

OTHER RESULTS: SOCCER: LEAGUE B: Mahane Yehuda Hap. 1, Tel Aviv Maccabi 1; Ramat Gan Maon. 2, Jerusalem Maoz. 2; Jaffa Maon. 6, Bitzaon Le'Ilem Hap. 0; Jaffa Maoz. 1, Sha'arayim Maon. 0; Hadera Maoz. 3, Acre Hap. 2.

HANDBALL LEAGUE: Petah Tikva Maon. 12, Rehovot Hap. 5; Bitzaon Le'Ilem Maoz. 6, ASA (Haifa) 5. **BASKETBALL LEAGUE:** Hapoel Ilan Hap. 58, Jerusalem Hap. 56; T.A. Maoz. North 58, Jerusalem Hap. 47; Maccabi South 56, Haifa Hap. 14; B.M.A. 66, Haifa Hap. 69; T.A. Maoz. 60, Mishmar Ha'emek Hap. 58.

COLONEL McCORMICK DIES IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Saturday (UP).—Col Robert R. McCormick, editor and publisher of the "Chicago Tribune" and one of the most widely known and controversial journalists in the U.S., died yesterday at the age of 74 years. He had an abdominal operation on January 19 and was in hospital for 10 days last month.

The "Colonel," as he was known here, for decades stirred up violent controversies with his vigorous crusades against prohibition, the "New Deal," and such "global internationalisms" as the U.N. He was staunchly anti-British. His funeral will take place on Monday.

ISOTOPES. — A method of using radioactive isotopes for determining the age of rocks has been evolved in the Geochemical and Analytical Chemistry Institute of the Soviet Academy of Sciences, according to a TASS report.

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Tel Aviv Maccabi Wins 2-1

HAIFA, Saturday. — Tel Aviv Maccabi completed a 'double' over local League A teams by beating Haifa Hapoel here today by 2-1, before 3,500 local fans, who saw the visitors gain a narrow victory after a fine match.

The opening minutes gave promise of things to come, when local boy Lolly Simantchik headed centimetres over the bar. After 10 minutes, Shamir opened the scoring for the home team, following a solo run down the right wing. The visitors equalised in 20 minutes after referee Dudkewitz awarded them a disputed corner. From this, right and from 25 metres sent in a terrific shot. Twenty-five minutes half Tureka gained possession, after the resumption, the Tel Avivians took the lead through Strodzinsky, inside left, who converted a pass from Glaser. Five minutes before the final whistle, the home team missed a perfect "sitter" with goalie Benderi sprawled on the ground. Martin, alone in front of goal, could only shoot the ball straight at the goalkeeper.

Haifa Hapoel Yehuda won the Hanaz Ze'evi Cup here today in an eight-youth-team contest when it beat Hadera Hapoel 2-0 in the final.

A police team won a four-team shooting contest held at Neshar, near here, gaining 906 points, six more than a Police "B" team. Three marksmen, Policeman Maxie Kahn, David Farkash and Mordechai Karp of Nesher, all gained 186 points to tie as top individual scorers in the competition.

Heated League B

The shrew seemed to have a hot effect on League B football here today, when two games had to be stopped after referees were injured or in danger of being so. On the Maccabi ground in the match between Christian Brotherhood and Zichron Ya'acov Maccabi with 15 minutes to go and the Brotherhood leading 5-0, one of its forwards scored a sixth goal. This apparently displeased the visitors' outside right Weiss, who hit the referee Klein, of Kibbutz Or, on the head, seriously wounding him. The player escaped in a taxi. Seven persons were detained and the match was stopped.

At the neighbouring Hakoah grounds, the match between Degel Yehuda and the Haifa Orthodox Club had to be stopped 20 minutes before the end, after the referee had sent three players off. He immediately followed them, escorted to safety by the police.

OTHER RESULTS: SOCCER: LEAGUE B: Hakoah Hap. 5, Maccabi Sports Club 1. **LEAGUE C:** Hakoah Maoz. 7, Maccabeans 0; Hapoel Hap. 2, Bnei Ziyon Maoz. 0. **HANDBALL:** Techelet 13, Tel Aviv Maoz. 5.

(See also Tel Aviv and Jerusalem)

J'lem Hapoel Win 4-0

In Jerusalem's only League B Match yesterday, the local Hapoel side had little difficulty in defeating the Y.M.C.A. 4-0, to maintain its unbeaten record in the Capital. Hapoel was superior throughout, but the players failed to exert themselves, while the Y.M.C.A. defence played creditably well to prevent a higher defeat, with their forwards nowhere to be seen.

Another Win for Betar

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NICOSIA, Saturday. — The Tel Aviv Betar boxing team registered another win in beating a British Army side by 10 points to four here today. Four of the bouts ended in favour of the Israelis by knock-outs.

The British Army boxers will pay a visit to Tel Aviv next month.

Cables in Brief

TIBET. — China and India on Friday signed a protocol in Lhasa, capital of Tibet, concluding the transfer to China of postal, telegraph and public telephone services and rest houses operated by the Indian Government in Tibet.

SPIES. — Three Greeks were sentenced to death by a Greek military court at Kavalla, central Macedonia, on Friday on charges of spying for Bulgaria. Four other men were sentenced to prison terms.

PREPARED. — Stockholm and all other large Swedish towns would be almost totally evacuated in the event of war, under a new civil defence plan published on Friday, which said large-scale evacuation was the only means of withstanding an attack by atomic weapons.

ARGENTINA. — The rush to join state schools as a result of the conflict between the Government and Catholic-run education brought 211,000 new pupils to the state schools when the new school year began in Argentina yesterday. Parents rushed to register fearing that their children would be left without places.

CHAPLIN. — Charlie Chaplin and his wife left Geneva by air on Friday to spend the Easter holidays in French North Africa.

MARK ANNIVERSARY OF HANS ANDERSEN

ODENSE, Denmark, Saturday (Reuter). — King Frederik, speaking today at the birthplace here of Hans Andersen, said that the great fairy tale writer, born 150 years ago, was himself an "ugly duckling" like the character in his own story. Yet he became one of the outstanding poets of the world and his life became a true fairy tale.

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AGENDA:
a) Report of the Directory.
b) Approval of the Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1954.
c) Distribution of profits.
d) The appointment of Public Auditors.
e) The election of new members to the Board of Directors and to the Council, to replace those whose terms of office expired.
f) Miscellaneous.

If a quorum is not present at the time appointed as aforesaid, this Annual General Meeting will be postponed to

Monday, April 11, 1955

at the same time and at the same place, when it shall — in accordance with the Articles — be a quorum, irrespective of the number of members present.

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Tel Aviv, April 1, 1955.

Crowds Meet Ben-Zvi's at Services

Jerusalem Post Reporter

President Ben-Zvi attended services at the Italian Synagogue in Jerusalem on Friday evening on the occasion of its third anniversary. Four new Scrolls of the Law presented by Jewish communities in Italy were placed in the Holy Ark.

Yesterday morning, the President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi attended Shabbat Hagadol (the Sabbath preceding Passover) services at the Adas Synagogue in the Nahlat Shiva quarter. This synagogue was established about 60 years ago by the Aleppo (Halabi) community.

The Presidential party was received at the entrance to the quarter by scores of excited children, fluttering flags, a male choir, and a guard of honour of women giving shrill, trilling cries of joy (the *Saghareed*). Services in the small houses of worship in the vicinity were interrupted when the worshippers in their prayer shawls came out on balconies to see the President.

The President was seated next to Chief Rabbi Nissim to the left of the Ark in the small ornate synagogue crowded to overflowing by at least 200 persons. Mr. Ben-Zvi was called to the Torah for the *maftir* reading, and he himself read the *Haftara* (portion from the Prophets).

Sermons were delivered by the 90-year-old *hakam* (elder) of the Halabi community, Rabbi Baruch, and the leader of the community, Dr. Yitzhak Shamosh. A hymn specially written for the occasion was chanted, and after services, a kiddush was held at Beit-Hanassi where Aleppo community representatives gathered.

EISENHOWER TO OPEN NEW SYNAGOGUE

WASHINGTON, Saturday (UP) — President Eisenhower will participate in the dedication of a new synagogue here on May 6, the White House announced today.

The synagogue, at Massachusetts Avenue and Macomb Street, is the new site of the Washington Hebrew Congregation, the oldest in the capital.

Religious Services

St. Paul's Church (Missions Or.): H.C. 7 p.m. H.C., as announced. Preacher: Canon H.R.A. Jones (Tel. 3713).

St. Andrew's Church (Scots Memorial): M. S. 10 a.m. Vesper service united with Y.M.C.A. at 6.30 p.m.

Combined Evangelical Service (Y.M.C.A. Lecture Hall): 7.30 p.m. All Welcome.

Catholic: 6 a.m. German Hospice Chapel (Languages: German, Italian, English, French. 7 a.m. Terra Sancta Chapel, Languages: English, French, German, Italian; St. Pierre de Stes (Rockefeller), Languages: French, Arabic, English, German, Hungarian, Hebrew, Portuguese: 8 a.m. Jesuits Chapel (near King David Hotel). Languages: French, Polish, English, Italian, German: 9 a.m. Pierre de Stes. 10 a.m. Terra Sancta College.

Notre Dame de France (St. Paul's St.): M.S. 8 a.m. Languages: French, English, German, Italian.

American Gospel Church (Prophets St. near Bikur Holim): Morning Worship, 11 a.m., Mid-week Prayers: Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. Minister M.S. Grishmoor.

Y.M.C.A. Christian Fellowship Prayer Service, 6 p.m. All welcome.

Brethren (Y.M.C.A., Room 102): Breaking of Bread, 11.30 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene (St. Julian's Way): H.S. 7.30 p.m.

Bible Evangelical Mission (Pentecostal), Herzel Ben St., first house: Sunday, 11 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. (Rev. J.W. Baxter)

Jerusalem Baptist Congregation (Ein Rogel): Wednesday: Bible reading & Prayer, 8 p.m. Friday: 11 a.m. Sermon, 7.30 p.m. Bible Study.

Seventh Day Adventists (Rehov Abraham Lincoln near Y.M.C.A.): 9.30 a.m. Sabbath School; 10.45 a.m. Preaching & Worship; 4 p.m. Bible class.

Jehovah's Witnesses: Bible Study 7.30 p.m. 16/4 Meria St., Beka'a: Tuesday: 6.30 p.m.

TEL AVIV & JAFFA

Anglican Church (Episcopal) in the Church of the former German Colony (co 19 Eilat St.): H.C., 7 a.m. M.S. 10 a.m. Evening Service 7 p.m. Preacher: Rev. R.G. Allison. P.O.B.3795, Tel Aviv.

Church of Scotland (St. Peter's) Jaffa, M.S. 10 a.m. H.S. 7 p.m.

St. Peter's Church (Catholic), Jaffa Port: 7 a.m. Weekdays 6 p.m. Languages: French, Italian, Spanish.

HAIFA

St Luke's Church: Mountain St., near Vine St. (Anglican Protestant Episcopal): H.C., 7.30 a.m.: M.S. 10 a.m. H.S. 6.30 (P.O.B. 1787.

Scandinavian Seamen's Church Moir St. 41, (P.O.B.1306). Evangelic Luth. Ser. Scandinavian, German. Sunday: 7.30 p.m. Rev. Per Pare Hansen; Bible Study, Tuesday, 8 p.m.

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THE Egyptian soldiers who laid yet another mine in the road along the Gaza strip which blew up an Israel army vehicle yesterday injuring six soldiers were not poor persons coming across to cut grass, as the United States representative called such infiltrators in the present Security Council discussions. These were men trained and disciplined by the Egyptian army. So were the forces which opened fire on the wrecked vehicle and those who carried out the other three attacks which made up four of such assaults last week. Nor can Colonel Abdul Nasser claim that these are elements acting in order to discredit the Egyptian authorities. The truth is all too clear.

UNDERMINING PEACE

The present meeting of the Security Council has unfortunately lived up to the expectations of the cynics and defeated the hopes of those who, perhaps because the wish was father to the thought, still believed that the facts would speak for themselves and might triumph over the resolve of the Western Powers at all costs to placate the Arab states, and particularly Egypt; yet it was Egypt herself that announced at the onset that she was determined to take no notice of anything the Council might do or order.

There is no doubt that the resolution condemning Israel had little relation to the realities of a bitter situation. The contribution of the representative of France, stating that this was the last warning to Israel was also significant. What does it mean? That Israel must now endure all these infiltrations and do nothing but await verbal comfort? When General Burns comes back he will make recommendations. Israel will do her utmost to keep the peace, but it already seems apparent that the Egyptian attacks will go on. So will condemnations by the Mixed Armistice Commission. If Israel fires back on Egyptian positions shooting at our men injured in these mining incidents then she too will be censured (for it is technically an offence to fire across the border in any circumstances) and the tally men will mark up an even score for both sides.

The Egyptians have interpreted the ineffectiveness of the Security Council as a green light to go ahead. Are they really intent upon the policy recently announced of getting possession of the Negev transferred from Israel to Jordan or some other Arab state? Is this the softening up designed to implement that plan? If so then not only Egypt but the Western Powers also should take careful note of what Mr. Ben-Gurion, the Minister of Defence, said at the volunteers' anniversary celebrations on Thursday, for they were sentiments which have behind them the will and agreement of a united nation.

The Israel Government will no doubt have made it quite clear in the appropriate quarters that the present state of affairs cannot be allowed to continue, and that the supreme body entrusted with the maintenance of the peace of the world is not a futile subcommittee of the Powers appointed to plan purely illusory advantages in the array of forces between East and West.

In Israel itself there is a careful weighing of the country's rights as a nation subjected to continuous aggression. The nation is waiting for strong and effective action from the Government. There is no doubt that Egypt cannot be left a moment longer under the illusion that the Arab appeasement policy of the Western Powers is a blank cheque for her to use as she wishes in relation to Israel's territory.

Tel Aviv University Gets American 'Friends'

NEW YORK, Saturday (INA). — The Very Rev. Dr. James Pike, Dean of the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, was elected Honorary President at a meeting here on Thursday of the American Friends of "Tel Aviv University."

Prof. Raphael Patai, of Dropsie College, Philadelphia and Columbia University, was chosen President, and Mr. J.W. Glaser of New York Treasurer.

Mr. Julius Salpeter, Tel Aviv Councillor, who was instrumental in organizing the group, reported on the latest developments of the municipal college. Prof. Israel Efros, of Dropsie and Hunter Colleges, outlined the aim of the Institute of Jewish Studies which will begin functioning this autumn.

Parliamentary Report

Hectic End to Session

By LEA BEN-DOR

FOR five solid days, until the current session was wound up after 2 o'clock on Friday afternoon, the Knesset sat almost non-stop, pushing the Budget through its second and final readings. It has now dispersed for Passover and will reassemble in the second week of May. According to law, the Knesset must disperse two-and-a-half months before elections are held, so that the summer session will last only six weeks or so.

It is not expected that the summer session will do more than finish certain items of legislation already prepared for the second reading by the committees, including the Civil Service Bill, the Pension Law, and the Religious Judges Law, and some others which are almost ready. Legislation that is not completed by the time the Second Knesset disperses for good will have to be begun again, but that is not a serious obstacle, on the assumption that the composition of the next Knesset will be roughly similar to that of the present one, at least to the extent of producing much the same Mapai-centred coalition government.

During the last hectic days sessions lasted deep into the night. During the spectacular tie vote on Wednesday, when the General Zionists voted with the Opposition on a proposed amendment intended to curtail the powers of the Minister of Finance with respect to the allocation of reserve funds during the year, exhausted members who had gone home to bed were roused again at midnight to come back and vote.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Yisrael Guri, seemed to be on his feet most of the time, first in presenting the Budget for the second reading, with the amendments made by his Committee, and then in answering the 500-odd minority amendments tabled by opposition speakers. The procedure is wearisome, and between votes the members could be seen slipping away. Despite the short span of time at its disposal for the job, the Finance Committee did a most conscientious job on the budget, and a large number of minor changes were introduced. The only major change announced by Mr. Guri was the extra quarter-million for education, which is undoubtedly due to the excellent debate held two weeks ago, and the pressing home of this matter by Mrs. Shoshana Persitz, Chairman of the Education Committee.

These are changes agreed upon by the Finance Committee. The amendments tabled as minority proposals are, of course, those which the Committee has in the first place voted down, and their presentations in the House during the second reading of the Bill are only in the nature of demonstrations, rather like voices in the wilderness. They have already been rejected, they are certain of being rejected again, and when they pile up in such numbers they almost take on the character of a filibuster, or obstructionism without any particular end in view.

On this occasion the amendments also served to point up once again the technical difficulties of a Parliament with a large number of small parties. We have not merely a Government, after all, and an Opposition whose business it is to show up the weaknesses of the ruling party, but a motley band of six or seven opposition groups, most of which are just as eager to disassociate themselves from the form of opposition practised by their neighbours as from the Government's own policy. The rival proposals of the two Mapam splinters in particular are often a lengthy business requiring much ideological explanation to ensure that the subtle differences involved will be brought out clearly, for it is by these differences, and not by their joint opposition to the Government, that the life and future of both splinters hangs.

The difficulty the opposition has in finding enough separate attitudes on any given subject was aptly illustrated by Dr. Sneh's proposed amendment to strike off the income side of the Budget the counterpart funds due from Reparations payments. German reparations were rejected as passionately by Herut as by the Communists, but not for the same reasons, and Herut was visibly unhappy at having to vote with the Communists on this issue. Dr. Avniel took the plunge, and voted with the Communists. The other members of Herut did not stir, and it was noted that Mr Bar Yehuda, of Ahdut Ha'avoda, actually voted with the Coalition, and in favour of the item. There is a third possibility on every vote — to abstain, and Mrs. Raziel-Naor, (Herut) accordingly abstained, as did Mr. Zisling, who now seems a little nearer Ahdut Ha'avoda than Mapam, but is still on the fence, poised for instant flight if the former should approach perilously close to Mapai.

How to Retain Identity

But this is not all. Our individualists have discovered a fourth, fifth and sixth possibility on a two-way vote: Dr. Altman and Mr. Shostak, of Herut, and some members of Agudut Yisrael had failed to vote either way, but they also failed to raise their hands as having formally abstained. This is known as "failure to participate." The fifth method is that of the Mapam members present, who walked out just before the vote. The sixth was made use of by Dr. Yohanan Bader, Herut, who went to Tel Aviv for the afternoon.

It has on occasion been suggested that our entire method of dealing with the Budget is wrong, and that discussion of the details of the Ministries' budgets constitutes one of the most important functions of the Knesset, which loses an important opportunity by crowding the work into three or four weeks. According to this view, only the outline estimates and general tax policy of the Government should be discussed and approved at this stage. It is not likely that radical changes will be introduced by the Knesset into the operation of any of the Ministries, and there is no reason why these should not carry on with their work and wait to give a full account of themselves in turn during the year, as in Britain.

Mr. Eshkol's budget was ready much earlier than usual this year, a fruit of the improved organization of his Ministry, but even so there has been no time for the Knesset to examine the work of all the Ministries in detail. In the Services Ministries criticism of Kupat Holim crowded out the rest of the debate on public health, and the Education debate entirely covered up what might have been further and interesting revelations on the administration of Social Welfare. There were several members who did not get time to speak on this subject, and it is perhaps a pity that they could not do so. The Knesset's purpose, and that of the public, would be better served if the Ministries were to have their activities examined at leisure during the year, in place of the present emphasis on prior authorization of the work which becomes reduced to little more than a formality.

Animals Do Have 'Sense of Humour'

WHAT P.A. says about the sense of humour of animals (*Jerusalem Post* of March 17) might seem to be anthropomorphism, but is nevertheless wholly true. I can add a fact illustrating this playful attitude in animals. In the London Zoo I was an active partner to the playful behaviour of a little black jackdaw.

As we passed beside one of the spacious cages, our attention was caught by nervous cries and flapping against the wire-netting by a small black bird. It was a daw, who endeavoured to grasp a black feather just beyond his reach. We thought that he needed it for his nest, and I obliged by giving it to him. He took it immediately, but he did not take it to his nest as we thought he would. Instead, very friendly, and cooing through the closed beak in which he held the feather, he offered it — back to me. But I could not take it, because at the very moment I touched it he snatched the feather inside with an unmistakably mischievous glint in his eyes, and several attempts were required before I succeeded in catching the feather; then the joke was repeated many times. Presently loud laughter and cheers whenever one of us scored a snatch made me notice the amused crowd which had gathered behind me and enjoyed our antics. When at long last I stopped playing the daw was literally crestfallen and stood there, dejected and disappointed.

HELENA REICH

MUSICAL DIARY

The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra with the Tel Aviv Chamber Choir. Soloists: Anette Jecl-Brues, soprano; Rema Samsonov, mezzo-soprano; Ernest Garay, tenor. Narrator: J. Yadin. Conductor: Eytan Lustig. (Ohel Shem Hall, March 28). Honegger: "Le Roi David" (first Performance in Israel).

ALTHOUGH Honegger called his composition by a new name "symphonic psalm," it is essentially a dramatic oratorio, with the narrative portions spoken instead of sung. It is written very summarily, though it embodies all that has attracted creative artists over the centuries — the suffering, heroism and triumph of David. The choral movements are impressive in their austerity, and have moments of both dignity and passion, and, while the texture is coarse in many places, the music abounds with good humour. The portrayal of Saul's camp achieves an effect surprisingly close to that which William Walton produced in his score to Act Four of the film "Henry V": tension was at a high pitch, due, to a large extent, to the orchestra's discipline.

The demonic march of the Philistines, evil and ugly, is inappropriately sandwiched between the death of Saul and Jonathan and David's Lamentation. Worse, the narration lacks dramatic impact, and is really no more than a wail.

Full justice was done to this monumental work by the choir's clarity of diction and obedience to the will of the conductor. The Soprano's volume was lost in that of the orchestra. Miss Samsonov's sweet voice did not quite take to the part of the Witch of En-Dor, though her performance in general was of high standard. We feel that Eytan Lustig's production is a real cultural contribution. *D. YADIN*

VISITORS MAKE PRESENTATION TO P.M.

Mr. Irving Rabb, chairman of the State of Israel Bonds Leadership delegation, presented an album to Prime Minister Moshe Sharett last week. The album contains the names of Trustees, Guardians and Sponsors of the Israel Bond Development Items who were registered during the first four weeks of January 1955.

Mr. Rabb told the Prime Minister that the album represents purchases of Israel Bonds, totalling $5.7m. and was prepared at the International Mobilization Conference of the Bond Drive held in Miami in January. In the delegation, from left to right are Messrs.: Max Helvarg, New York; A.D. Hirsch, Jersey City; Max Apple, Cleveland; Charles Fish, Baltimore; Joseph Shwarzfeld, Regina; Harry Benson, Montreal; Archie Dover, Cornwall; Irving W. Rabb, Boston; William Libby, Mosse Jaw; Judah Richards, New York; the Prime Minister; Samuel Zacks, Toronto; Isadore Namerow, Montreal; Joseph Babinowitz, Boston; Maurice Bernstein, Boston; Maurice Horn, New York; S. Friedman, San Francisco; and Max Silver, Seattle.

IRAQI OFFICER CAUGHT AIDING ALGERIANS

By JACK C. WOLF

CASABLANCA, (NANA).

Capture of an Iraqi Army officer serving with the Algerian rebels has pointed to the external forces harassing the French in North Africa.

French authorities in Algiers officially reported that Lieut. Mohammed Hamadi el-Aziz, a regular Iraqi officer, has been taken near Beghni in the Kasyile region. The French charged that he had been delegated by the Arab Nationalists based in Cairo to stir up trouble in North Africa.

According to the authorities, the lieutenant was apprehended by the Gendarmerie while on his way to contact Krim Belkacem, an Algerian underground chief.

Cairo Radio and groups in the other Arab states have often lent verbal support to North African nationalism, and there is strong evidence that resistance groups have been supported by supplies and manpower slipping into French North Africa from Libya.

The capture of Aziz, who, the French say, had been the right-hand man in Cairo of Abd El-Krim, the aging, exiled Berber leader whose fierce Rifi tribesmen nearly drove the Spanish Army out of Africa in the 1920's, was the first case involving a foreign Arab national directly in the recent fighting.

Readers' Letters

IMMIGRANTS' DEBT

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Lately, some of my friends who had come here from Germany or German-occupied territory have received identical letters from the Jewish Agency asking them to honour promissory notes they had signed at the time of their immigration in return for basic outfits.

The sums involved are negligible. Nevertheless, it seems strange to me, in view of the Reparations Agreement, the purpose of which is to compensate Israel for the absorption costs of German Jews, that these sums are now claimed from those immigrants, instead of from the Government, which is a party to the Reparations Agreement and which has been receiving considerable sums on that account.

Incidentally, my friends have been in no need of further assistance and are actually glad to be able to repay their debts. However, the question of principle remains: Is this demand moral ?

Yours, etc.,
"PERTURBED"

Jerusalem, March 10.

Jewish Agency Replies

Sir, — From the inception of the State until the end of September 1954 the Jewish Agency spent nearly IL15m. on the reception and initial equipment of immigrants. About 75 per cent of this sum covers actual expenditure for maintenance and the remainder was given to immigrants in the form of loans against promissory notes, to be returned upon demand.

The majority of these immigrants have established themselves since their arrival. On the other hand, the needs with regard to absorption of the *aliya* from North Africa are growing larger. We therefore intensified the collection of debts from those immigrants whose financial situation allows them to liquidate their loans. We give them the opportunity of repaying their debts in monthly payments of IL3-5.

We are convinced that there is no moral lapse in our demand that those who have already been economically absorbed into the country should help us to bring in those who are still awaiting their turn to come in.

Yours etc.,
S. EISENBERG
General Secretary.

Jerusalem, March 17.

HOTEL SCHOOL

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With reference to the interview with Mr. Charles Muller-Soutter in today's issue of *The Jerusalem Post*, under the title, "Swiss Hotelier: Capital Needs Tourism," I should like to point out that the Hotel Management School mentioned by Mr. Muller — the Hadassah Hotel School — has as its main object what Mr. Muller asks for, namely training "capable waiters, chambermaids and cooks." We, too, are of the opinion that "not every graduate can become a hotel manager" and impress on our pupils that only through careful training and years of practical work in the profession can the best become hotel managers at a later stage.

We beg to differ, however, with Mr. Muller's opinion that "staff was best trained not at school but in the profession." In a country like Israel, where most of the leading hotel personnel have not enjoyed the benefit of an all-round training in their profession (in contrast to Switzerland), it would appear that courses by expert teachers are more appropriate in training the next generation of hoteliers.

Yours, etc.
ESTHER REIFENBERG
Chairman, Hadassah Vocational Education Services.

Jerusalem, March 28.

Friday's Press

Burns Deserves Support

COMMENTING on the Security Council's second resolution, "Ha'aretz" (non-party), notes that General Burns' prestige has greatly increased as a result of the unanimous support for his proposals. Israel should not hesitate to fully cooperate with the Chief U.N. Observer, on condition of course that the Egyptian authorities collaborate too. "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) deals with the situation in the border settlements and supports the demands for extra help to them (outside the regular defence and development budgets).

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) defends its party's Knesset stand (against the defence budget) reiterating its belief that it is the only organised patriotic force in the country. Mr. Meir Ya'ari, on the other hand, writing in "Al Hamishmar," upbraids the Communists for their attitude and recalls that Dr. Moshe Sneh, who opposes "active defence," was responsible for the bombing of the King David Hotel in 1946. Messrs. Yigal Alon and Yisrael Galili, writing in "Lamerhav" (Ahdut Ha'avoda) also comment on defence problems while "Hatzofe" (World Misrahi Union) surveys the general political situation after the vote in the Security Council.

"Davar" (Histadrut) reports editorially on the success of the new pocket book enterprise at Am Oved, the Histadrut publishing house. The books are sold to subscribers at IL0.500 which, according to "Davar" is somewhat cheaper than similar books in the U.S. or Great Britain. There are already more than 30,000 subscribers.

New Look

"Haboker" (General Zionist) has taken on a new look. The editorial has been promoted to page one and the reader is treated to adventure stories in instalments. The leading article expounds the Party's Knesset stand at the recent budgetary debate.

"Zmanim" (Progressive), reviews the damages wrought by the drought and demands government help stressing that those who are directly affected cannot and should not carry the burden alone. "Herut" includes special features in connection with the third national conference of Betar. "Lamerhav" devotes a whole page to excerpts from the recently published Yalta documents.

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